Americans Enter Vouzieres; British Close to Douai

ALLIED ARMIES MOVEFORWARD

Germans Falling Back in Champagne-Gen. Gouraud's Men Cross River Suippe.

OVER 20 - MILE FRONT

Towns South Laon-Desperate Attempt to Check Anglo-

American Advance. Paris, Oct. 12.—The German front in the Champagne district has been broken over a front of thirty-sever miles and the Germans are falling back all along the line, the war office announced Friday night.

The retirement extends from the

The retirement extends from the Suippe river past the Arnes, where Americans are fighting. The French and Americans have penetrated the German base and important railway town of Veuziers.

Italian and French troops are continuing their brilliant advance on the Chemin-des-Dames,

Location of Veuziers.

(Vouzieres is thirty-two miles northeast of Rheims, and lies in the district just northwest of Grand Pre, where Americans are on the offensive. Half a dozen highways and two railroads converge at Vouzieres.)

converge at Vouzieres.)
The French line now runs along the
Retourne river and the Pauvres-Vouzieros road.

The new line is approximately eleven miles north of the front as it stood before the Americans began attacking in the eastern part of the Champagne

With the French Army in France, Friday, Oct. 11:—(Reuter's.)—Gen. Gouraud's troops have crossed the Sulppe river almost everywhere along the twenty-mile front between Rev. the twenty-mile front between Ber-tricourt and Betheniville. The Ger-

mans still hold the bridgehead at Boult-sur-Suippe.

The enemy is retiring to his next zone of resistance on the Retourne, but there are unmistakable evidences that he is preparing for a still further re-

Villages Burning.
With the French Army in the Champagne, Oct. 12.—(Reuter's.)—Vouzieres and Guise as well as all of the villages in the whole region south of Laon are

Bridges Blown Up.

With the British Army in France,
Friday, Oct. 11.—The enemy today began an attempt to slow up the AngloAmerican advance in main battle front.

American advance in main battle front.
All of the bridges across the river
Selle from Le Cateau southward were
blown up and the Germans seem to
have been digging in furiously along
the line of the high ground some 2,000
to 4,000 yards east of the river.

Advance Toward Douai.

London, Oct. 12—British forces last
night continued their advance north
of the Sensee river, Field Marshal Haig
announced today. The advance is in
the direction of Douai. The villages
of Hamel and Brebieres, less than
three miles from Doual, and Cuincy,
less than two miles from Douai, have
been captured.

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centered in the sector of the
two wooded heights.

Taste German Cooking
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Verdun Shelled.

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AMERICANS CLOSING IN ON DUN-SUR-MEUSE

PROGRESS MADE AGAINS KRIEMILDE SWITCH.

Railway Put Out of Commission by Direct Hits From Big American Guns.

Paris, Oct. 12.-The Americans are closing in on Dun-Sur-Meuse, while their left wing is within five miles of Buzancy, says Marcel Hutin, in the Echo de Paris. Continuing he says that important events which will change the entire face of things may be expected in this part of the Woevre

Orders found on prisoners, says M. Sixty guns and hundreds of machine death and desolation everywhere. On all sides are nothing but scenes of ruin. Since Sept. 29, 150,000 square yards of French territory has been recovered from the Germans.

Southern Boys.

Tennessee and Carolina troops that have been attacking with the Religion of Orders found on prisoners, says M. an orderly retreat. Gen. Gouraud's attack upset this plan. Although the Germans had twenty-five divisions in the mans had twenty-nye divisions in the Champagne sector, twelve of which were fresh, the fear of being rushed caused them to decline battle. The crown prince has moved his headquarters from Mexicres in hot haste. 600 Prisoners.

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 12,—(11 A.M.).— American forces continued their attacks against the Germans between the Meuse river and Grandpre this morn-ing, making important local advances. Six hundred German prisoners were

captured yesterday.

The progress achieved by the Americans during this morning was made against the Kriembilde switch line be-

The railway at Dun-Sur-Meuse (which is held by the Germans), was put out of commission by direct hits

from big calibre American guns. The railway line was cut. Attacks Develop Slowly.

Today's attack from the Meuse to the

On the other hand the troops on the left had the stiffest kind of fighting in

today's advance. They found them-selves held up south of St. Juvin by concentrated machine gun and artillery fire from Hill 182, northeast of the

concentrated maching gun and artillery fire from Hill 182, northeast of the town.

The Americans pushed forward and began an encircling movement to take Hill 182. They forced their way across the St. Georges-St. Juvin road and Jevin.

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SUGAR TELLS OF
PRESENCE OF AMERICANS
With the British Army on the
St. Quentin - Cambrai Front,
Oct. 12.—French civilians behind the German lines first
learned of America's entrance
in the war when they saw
sugar, Hundreds of these civilians who have been liberated
in the last few days said they
knew when they saw sugar that
America was in the war, because only Americans had
sugar, The Germans kept them
in ignorance of what America
was doing.

GERMANS FORCED ACROSS THE AIRE

Americans Extend Lines Be- today announced anoth Livance and the capture of the ville of Brebieres, yond Kriemhilde Line Between Argonne and Meuse.

ADVANCE UNDER FIRE

New Move Threatens to Outflank St. Juvin and Hill to North.

(By Newton C. Parke) With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 12 (8 a.m.)-Fine fighting weather prevailed on the American was some ground mist.

advanced east of the Aire river, were very difficult for the Germans to hold made Friday morning. They were car-ried out under heavy enemy fire from Douai will affect the whole German ried out under heavy enemy fire from St. Juvin and Hill No. 182, north of St.

The Americans are now beyond the Kriemhilde line, between the Argonne and the Meuse and by establishing a new line have semi-enveloped Brieulles, St. Juevin Landres and St. Georges. American Gains.

American gains east of the

up" and the Germans at that point were thrown across the Aire river.

The chief gains cast of the Meuse centered in the sector of Civry and in the wooded heights.

Taste German Cooking.

The Yanks today have had a taste of German cooking. Four boche cooks with a rolling field kitchen, came rumbing into the American lines vester.

bling into the American lines yester.
day. They were in search of a German
minenwerfer company. They were
pounced on by the Americans, who
forced them to get busy and prepare

FUTILE ATTEMPTS TO STEM ALLIED DRIVE

TENNESSEANS AND CARO. LINIANS COMMENDED.

These Troops Have Bagged Over Three Thousand Pris-

oners on Cambrai Front.

fore St. Georges and Landres.

The Germans are removing their supplies from their bases at Vousiers, and Buzancy.

DEPARTMENTS ALL CLOSED.

Washington. Oct. 12.—All government departments were closed today, and all cabinet members were away from the city with the exception of Secretary of

PITCHER DIES OF INFLUENZA. Baltimore, Md., Oct. 12.—Dave Roth, former pitcher of the Chicago White Sox, is dead here today, following an illness of one week. Death was due to influenza.

until afternoon threatened to be abortive. At the start the Germans were able to pour in such a rain of machine gun bullets and shells from light and heavy artillery that the Americans made virtually no advance, especially in the center of the line.

German opposition was heavy everywhere except on the extreme right of American line, where the troops were able to advance slowly up the river. They worked their way into Cunel taking fifty-five willing prisoners in the forest north of the Cunel-Brieules road.

Stiffest Kind of Fighting.

On the other hand the troops on the left had the stiffest kind of fighting in the center way.

Two Hundred Same.

Americans got under way.
Two Hundred Surrendered. Two hundred Germans then suddenly appeared in "no man's land" with their hands raised as a token of surrender.

BRITISH WITHIN MILE OF DOUAL

Americans and British Pour Across Selle River in Le Cateau Chateau.

HUNS BLOW UP BRIDGES

ity of Mont Dorigny-Air-

men in Hot Purs British are only a mile to the Ger-nan base at Doual. To Evar office the capture of the villy Hamel and Cuincy.

(The capture of an advance of ab our miles west of Douai.)

of Douni.) North of the Sensee river, said the official statement, the British are now

standing east of Henin-Lietard, and in the western outskirts of Annay.

The advance continues.

Advance of Cavalry Patrol.

With the British Army on the Cambrai-St. Quentin Front, Oct. 11 .- (I. N. S.)-(Night.)-With cavalry patrols reported to have advanced as far as Longchamps, the British tonight were less than four miles from Douai, that front today. It was clear, but there important road and railway center which has been one of the Germans' New attacks, in which the Americans chief concentration points. It will be

Americans and British are pouring across the Selle river in the sector of Le Cateau.

Fouquieres. Iwuy has fallen and the Germans

The American gains east of the Meuse have been extended in the face of counter-attacks. All of the counter-blows were shattered.

During Friday afternoon the American guns were in action and Hill No. 182 was severely pounded. By the new advance we threatened to outflank St. Juvin and the hill to the north.

American patrols have linked up with the French patrols south of Trandpre.

Bois Negremont "Cleaned Up."

The Bois Negremont was "cleaned up" and the Germans at that point were thrown across the Aire river.

ng Boches no rest.
In twenty-four hours airmen, fired Game Efforts to Rescue.

Further north the British have pushed to the east of Henin-Lietard, northwest of Doual, and they are in the night.

Further north the British have day yesterdar by the Germans. Their roads in the rear of the Hun lines.

Particular attention was paid to the night.

to see a wagon, driven by a German, coming toward them at top speed. The boche was very much surprised when stopped by an Englishman sentry. The after the collision, apparently undriver said that the British advance had ben so rapid he had lost all trace of the German lines.

The whole country from which the stroyer's deck, with a dozen others. We Germans were driven is strewn with were washed off the deck by a huge wreckage and covered with deserted wave which wrecked the destroyer's dugouts. The Germans were forced to bridge. leave so hurriedly in many instances "Te

the Gormans.

Southern Boys.

Tennessee and Carolina troops that have been attacking with the British on the Cambrai-St. Quentin front have been officially commended by Gen. Rawlinson, commander of the Fourth British army.

"The gallantry of your infantry and the precision with which all staff arrangement in the precision with which all staff arrangement in the precision with which all staff arrangement in the precision with which all staff arrangements have worked filled me with admiration, and it has given me pleasure to report your unguilified success to Field Marshal Halg," said Gen. Rawlinson.

Rezeon for Retreat.

Retreating German troops on-the Cambrai-St. Quentin front told civilians they were falling back eleven miles eastward to a new line of defenses, stronger than the old Hindenburg line.

The trail of the Boche is pittful to see, with the civilians searching for homes that exist no more.

The Germans planned to remove all the young boys with them, but were forced to evacuate so quickly they could not take all of them.

DEPARTMENTS ALL CLOSED.

Washington, Oct. 12.—All government was accellent fish dinner.

Tools and metrosot a few manders of fire regot lost a few mights ago, and mottored off at cross and metrored off at cross and metrosom mander of the smoking room.

"From there I tried to make it with also the wash. He carned that his automobile was then the all the carned that his automobile was then as untimobile was the crushed to splinters before we could get in it.

"Then the order came, Every man for himself. Lieut, Coffman was turned to washing too the little to the commanding officer to two British agont and the officer to two British agont and the officer to two British agont and the officer to the carned that his automobile was the learned the was. He carned that his automobile was the crush the or

ACCEPTS ENTIRE PROGRAM

Hamburg Paper Says Even Evacuation Possible. Amsterdam, Oct. 12.—Commenting on the German peace proposal to President Wilson, the Hamburg Fremden-

GOVERNOR OF LORRAINE
Amsterdam, Oct. 12.—Karl Hauss, a
member of the reichstag and president of
the center party in the Prussian diet,
has been chosen to succeed the governor
of Alsace-Lorraine, who is expected to
retire momentarily, according to a Strassburg telegram published in the Dutch
newspapers.

EARTHQUAKE SHATTERS HOUSES IN PORTO RICO

Havana, Oct. 12.—Wideapread damage has been caused by an earthquake in Porto Rico, according to an unconfirmed report received here from Santiago de Cuba.

Many buildings are said to have been destroyed. The report fixes no definite locality and no loss of life is mentioned. Cable communication between

Cable communication between Cuba and Porto Rico is badiy hampered.

Germans Fleeing From Vicin- 446 AMERICAN **SOLDIERS LOST**

Fearful Toll of Collision of the Transport Otranto and Troop Ship Kashmir.

STORIES OF HEROISM

Hundreds of Bodies Washed Up on Rock-Ribbed Coast of Island of Islay.

(By Delt Edwards.) At an American Rest Camp in Ireand, Oct. 12.-(I. N. S.)-Thrilling stories of the heroism of American soldiers, English seamen and the commanders of rescuing British destroyers were told today by the survivors of the transport Otranto, which was lost

North of the Scarpe river (in the district east and northeast of Arras), the British now hold Vitry-En-Artois, Izel-Les-Esquerchin, Drocourt, the northern part of Billy Montigny and Foundiers. have been washed up on the rock-the scene of the disaster.

ibbed coast of the Island of Islay, near The catastrophe is attributed to the failure of the steering gear of the Kashmir when the two vessels burst upon each other, out of a dense fog, and at the height of the storm.

An attempt was made by the Germans in that zone to hold up the Anglo-American advance with counterattacks, but all broke down.

The Germans on the Selle river front blew up all the bridges in an effort to stay the allied advance and keep up strong fire from artillery stationed behind the ridge east of the stream.

When Americans entered St. Souplet they encountered heavy shelling, but pressed on dauntlessly.

Further to the south the French are again ndvancing.

The Germans are clearing out of the vicinity of Mont Dorigny, and all the roads leading to the east are congested.

British airmen are giving the fiee
The height of the storm.

Near Grave of Tuscania.

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The crash occurred within a stone's throw of the grave of the Tuscania, declared Lieut. Cantwell, of Denver, one of the survivors. "Buffeted by the seas, which were running mountain high, the Kashmir burst upon the Otranto out the mist, crashed into us, and ripped a jagged hole in the Otranto out the mist, crashed into us, and ripped a jagged hole in the Otranto's side.

"Eyeryone rushed up to the deck as the shrieking whistles of the two vesses followed the resounding echoes of the crash. The first two lifeboats low-self-all attainments are clearing out of the otranto. I saw the head of one soldier crushed and all the occupants of both boats disappeared beneath the

British airmen are giving the flee- of both boats disappeared beneath the

orced them to get busy and prepare oreakfast.

Verdun Shelled.

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Verdun was shelled throughout the lay yesterdar by the Germans. Their six-inch guns continued the fire during the night.

Game Efforts to Rescue.

"The British destroyer Maunsey gamely tried to reach us in spite of the storm. As she came as closely as possible alongside many American soltiles and British seamen threw off their heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped for the heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped for the heavy clothing and leaped for the heir heavy clothing and leaped line south of Niergniers were surprised destroyer and the Otranio and were to see a wagon, driven by a German, ground to death, One soldier was cut half in two by twin wire cables.

The Kashmir backed up immediately

"I remained on the Otranto for four

harmed. minutes and then jumped for the de-

crushed to splinters before we could was looking toward the land, and evi-

Not Much Excitement. "There was not as much excitement as you might expect," declared Sergt. Glenn P. Stein, of Omaha. "I saw sev-eral men crushed to death between the destroyer and the Otranto. Melvin Davies and myself were the only two

Davies and myself were the only two saved out of five boys from Omaha."

Thomas Campbell, of Memphis, was another survivor to praise the commander of the British destroyer. "It was heroic work," he declared. "I was before I made fast.

With a batch of fifty-nine survivors

Toaming was truck to death before they struck the water.

"I jumped also and was washed off the deck of the destroyer three times before I made fast.

Destroyer Battered.

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The We ports feve destine for of all kind to hold on who were taken to a hospital. Included in the number are four second lieutens ants. They are W. M. H. Pepenforth, of Columbus, O.: Frank A. Perkins, of Augusta, Ga.; David R. Sutton, Glen
"The destroyer came alongside four times, getting most of the survivors on the third trip. She was pretty badly battered herself.

"The waves washed dozens of Americans from the deck of the deck."

Cloudy, Says Billy 'Possum. Old Kalser Bill



despite his erudi-tion, concerning all Lieut. Cravens and the skill and cool-the Hapsburgs and ness of the American soldiers and the despite his erudi-

has much to learn,

HUN LINES ALONG SUIPPE GAVE WAY

Retreat Before French More of a Flight Than Orderly Retirement.

AISNE RAILROAD MENACED

Oise Valley Villages in Flames, Indicating Further Abandonment by Foe.

(Associated Press.) The Germans have paused in their flight before the Anglo-American advance from the Cambrat-St. Quentin line long enough to attempt a stand along the Selle river southward from the tip of the allied wedge at Le

Momentarily, therefore, the line appears to be stationary along this front, where the enemy has hastily dug in. Field Marshal Haig, in his official re-port today, did not mention any new

forward movement here,

The line is an extremely unstable one, however, and the German defenses are described as mere scratches on the surface. There seems all probability that the allied drive will be resumed as soon as the guns and transport catch up with the advanced elements for a powerful push at the improvised German positions. forward movement here.

German positions. The German lines along the Suippe river, in the Champagne sector in France, have collapsed. Progress made by the French during the past day in this part of the battle front would seem the transport Otranto, which was lost in a collision with the sister troopship Kashmir on Oct. 6, between the Scottish and Irish coasts.

Three hundred and forty-six members of the American expeditionary force and eighty-five members of the British crew of the Otranto are missiphers. This advance brings the French up to within two and a half the French up to within two and a half miles of the Alsne river and threatens the railroad line that parallels that stream. Further east the French have not advanced so swiftly, but have

made good progress.

Near the Argonne forest Gen. Gou-raud's men have swept northward and are officially reported to be less than two miles from Vouzieres, an impor-tant railroad junction. They are near Sugny and have almost reached Ma-chault.

German resistance here has been des-

perate and the fighting east of the Meuse has also been of the most strenuous character. Allied troops have been attacking the Austrian positions in the mountain sector of the Italian front. This fighting appears to have been merely a local operation, but the combat has apparently been severe.

dale, S. C., and Samuel Levy, of Atlanta, Ga.

Oners on Cambrai Front.

With the British Army on the Cambrai-St, Quentin Front, Oct, 12.—(5 a.m.)
—Elements of ten German divisions (120,000 men) have been identified opposite the Americans on the Cambrai-St, Quentin Front.

The Germans are throwing in their mapower recklessly in an effort to stem the great American-British drive.

Since they commenced attacwing, Tenessee and Carolina troops have captured over 3,000 prisoners, between fifty and sixty guns and hundreds of machine surs.

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leave so hurriedly in many instances by the destroyer after more than 300 of us had been saved."

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"I put a lifebelt around Coffman," the corporal said today, "and hurried and desolation everywhere. On all sides are nothing but scenes of ruin.

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be seen through the mist.

Then the British destroyer came "From there I tried to make it with along. Her commander, Lieut. Clay-lim to a lifeboat, but the boat was ens, was standing in plain view. He dently saw that it was impossible for us to be rescued from there.

The crew of the Otranto stood to their posts. All of the American soldiers were cool and calm even when they saw the lifeboats being dashed to pieces against the side of the ship.
"Captain Davidson of the Otranto,
asked Lieut. Cravens to come alongside with the destroyer. Dangling life-boats were used to keep the destroyer and the Otranto from battering each

other to pieces.

Look Out for Himself. "When the word was given for every man to look out for himself, we clam-

"When the word was given for every man to look out for himself, we clambered down ropes and leaped for the deck of the destroyer.

"Lieut. Simmons of the Otranto, sang out to the Americans, 'cast off your heavy boot sand coats and jump.' The men needed no urging although the leap was something like forty feet.

"Some of the men missed the destroyer's deck and disappeared in the foaming waters between the two vessels. I saw three crushed to death before they struck the water.

"I jumped also and was washed off "I jumped also and was washed off of lowing."

The man receive many. The president has always deen held up to desectation in the German press as a fanatical war maniac. We were all the same in this respect; it was because distorted information was supplied us. The veil now is being lifted and it is clearly proved President Wilson is no war maniac, but an idealist whose aim is to establish a world peace founded on a league of nations."

Stray facts showing which way the wind is blowing in Germany are the following:

"The waves washed dozens of Americans from the deck of the de-stroyer to which they were not always able to cling. Most of these were lost when the Otranto lurched toward the destroyer, crushing the bridge and smashing the wireless.

UNPOPULARITY OF CROWN PRINCE ON INCREASE
Zurich, Oct. 12.—Neutral travelers arriving here from Germany report that rumors that Emperor William may abdicate appear to take greater consistency day by day. The activate ency day by day. The arrivals add that the unpopularity of the German crown prince has considerably increased in Germany.

PRINCE MAX MAY **BECOME EMPEROR**

Dispatch Says Kaiser Expresses Willingness to Abdicate in Interest of Prince.

REPLY EXPECTED TONIGHT

Steps Taken to Place Military Affairs in Berlin Under Civil Control.

Copenhagen, Oct. 12.-The German answer to President Wilson's note will be made public Sunday, according to miset have been removed because they the Nord Deutsche Allegemeine (North were considered the embodiment of

German Gazette), the real semiofficial German organ of Berlin.

Extensive concessions are made, the paper adds, which it is hoped will result in discussions that will bring peace.

Note Conciliatory.

London, Oct. 12.—The answer of London, Oct. 12.—The answer of Chancellor Max, in behalf of Germany,

to President Wilson's note is concilia-tory and will reach the president to-night, it was reported here this after-The answer is said to ask President Wilson several questions and to ex-press the hope that the American exec-utive will reply to these questions be-fore the reichstag convenes on Wednes-

Basle, Oct. 12.—Germany's reply to President Wilson's note will go forward onight, according to the Frankfurther Zeitung. It is understood that Germany ad-

willing to Quit.

London, Oct. 12.—The kaiser has declared his willingness to abdicate in or-

as evidence that the enemy is preparing to abandon that region, as well as the high wooded massif of St. Gobain, to the south.

East of St. Quentin and Cambral, the French, British and Americans are still moving eastward.

Between Lens and Doual the British are sweeping forward over a wide front.

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Arbitration in the future.

Reichstag to Discuss Note.

London, Oct. 12.—The German reichstag will meet October 16 to take up
President Wilson's note to Chancellor
Max, according to a report put out by

the German wireless, Ludendorff Reaps Results of JUNKER ORGANS BEWAIL **GLORIOUS OLD PRUSSIA**

STRAY FACTS SHOW WHICH WAY WIND BLOWS.

Truth Permeating Remote Portions of Germany-Wilson Proved "No War Maniac."

Amsterdam, Friday, Oct. 11. — While the German junker organs bewall "the demise and burial of glorious old Prussia" and make dramatic appeals to the shade of Bismarck, Berlin bankers to-day notified their correspondents here the evacuation of occupied territories is considered "not acceptable." Today's Cologne Gazette already pours balm on wounded German feelings, pointing out that "if the enemy's overwhelming numerical superiority in men and munitions has overthrown all human cal-culations." the Germanula is considered the inference that Gen. Ludendorff is no longer guided by purely military considerations, either from fear of the demoralizing effect a retreat on a large scale would have in the interior or with the idea that the more territory remains in his hands the stronger will be Germanula.

numerical superiority in men and munitions has overthrown all human calculations," the Germans have nevertheless proved themselves brilliantly capable and can never be destroyed as a nation.

That the truth is beginning to permeate to the more remote parts of Germany is shown by a chance copy of the work of the colebrated book "On the Conduct of War". meate to the more remote parts of Ger-many is shown by a chance copy of the Posen Neueste Nachrichten that has

Posen Neueste Nachrichten that has reached nere whose editorial makes a remarkable admission. It says:

Veil Now Being Lifted.

"The new chancellor has directly approached President Wilson, which may seem surprising to many. The president was always been held up to describe a player hear held up to describe a player hear held up to describe the surprising to many.

The Weser Zeitung, of Bremen, reports feverish excitement among clandestine food traffickers and speculators of all kinds whose dilemma is whether

The Rhenish papers feature a sensa-tional drop in recently inflated wine prices, amounting in some instances to over 60 per cent. Many firms are re-ported to have lost hundreds of thou-

to hold on to their stocks or sell.

sands of marks.

MILITARY POWER UNDER CONTROL

Of German Civil Authorities as Far Politics Is Concerned.

VON STEIN ELIMINATED

Centrist Leader Says Belgium Is Due Reparation for

Wrongs Done Her. London, Friday, Oct. 11.-German military power has already been placed under civil control, so far as politics is concerned, according to an interview with Mathias Erzberger, the centralist leader, sent out by the German

government wireless service. Gen. Von Stein, the Prusslan war minister, had to be eliminated because he had always worked against a peace by understanding, the interview says, Gen. Scheuch, his successor, is said to hold liberal views. Commanding Generals Von Vietinghoff and Von Hachmilitarism. All decisions of commandng generals in the interior of Germany concerning administrative functions are made dependent upon the ap-proval of the presidents of provinces, with an appeal to Gen. Scheuch and finally to the chancellor, according to

Erzberger.

Because He Interfered.

Herr Von Berg, chief of Emperor
William's civilian cabinet, had to resign because he had interfered during the formation of the new cabinet in a manner which aroused the indignation of the majority parties of the reich-stag. Erzberger says that this makes it evident that militarism has been orever removed from Germany.

Asked whether he would promote the

principles of a league of nations, Erzperger replied: Leitung.

It is understood that Germany adheres to President Wilson's demands, the newspaper adds.

The Frankfurther Zeitung is one of the most influential papers in Germany, and is generally believed to reflect the government's views.

Willies to Ouit

London, Oct. 12.—The kaiser has declared his willingness to abdicate in order that he may not stand in the way of peace, the Evening Tidningen learns authoritatively, according to a dispatch from Stockholm. The paper says that the kaiser is opposed to the policy of Chancellor Max and the reichstag majority and adds that the chancellor may succeed to the throne of Germany.

London, Oct. 12.—Steps have been taken at Berlin to place military affairs under civil control, "so far as politica" are concerned, "sald a German wireless dispatch today.

Dr. Natthias Erzberger, clerical leader, who was taken into the German cabinet as minister without portfolio, was reported to have been conferring.

GERMANY NEARER BRINK

FOCH'S BROOM SWEEPING FOE FROM CHAMPAGNE.

OF DISASTER EACH DAY

Cardinal Error in Misjudging Allies. Paris, Oct. 12.—Today finds Germany a little nearer the brink of disaster. Marshal Foch's broom applied in the Champagne this time had swept the

enemy back from a wider section of the

ront than ever before.

Gen. Ludendorff now is reaping the results of the cardinal error he made in thinking that the allied offensives were bound to be spaced at wide intervals like his own. The continuity of the attacks has literally dumbfounded the Germans and it is plain that there is vaccilation at grand German headquar-For instance, the evacuation of the

Belgian coast appears to have been or-dered and then countermanded, which justifies the inference that Gen. Luden-

War" says:
"Nogi's army at Mukden sought not
so much to crush the Russian right by

a flank attack as to get on his rear and thus determine the retreat of all the enemy's forces."

which struck in the direction of Mau-heuge and Guise. Yesterday it was the right that delivered the blow, aiming it in the direction of Mezieres. Whether both wings break through or only one is immaterial. The result would be the same, but the longer the Germans Sensational Drop.

The newspaper says it has received advertisements offering various elicacies which have long disappeared from the market.

the same, but the longer the Germans resist what appears to be the inevitable the worse for them. Every day adds to the wastage of German effectives and material, and should they hold on too long their retreat would become on too long their retreat would become a rout.

> BOTH CABINETS RESIGN. Zurich, Oct. 12.—Both the Austrian and Hungarian cabinets have resigned,

the Hapsburgs and the Prussian war tradition. One little point that I should fike to in his bean engender is, "U. S." means in war times, Union war times, Unio according to information received to-